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Billy Bannister lives in a world without superheroes. Not because powers don't exist. But because everyone has them. As PRV spreads, ripping away those abilities, Quarantine ratchets up its propaganda war. Soon violence erupts. With his brother caught in the insurgents' next plot, Billy may run out of the one thing he always thought he had enough of...time.

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SEVEN BILLION PEOPLE WITH POWERS. ONE VIRUS TAKES THEM AWAY.

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QUARANTINE DB



Password

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LOADING

93%

PROGRESS

SWIPE



HELENE MOORE

ABILITY: Lower Kelvakinetik

ATTRIBUTES: Lowers temperatures near absolute zero

GROUP: Elemental
CLASS: 9
RANK: WRAITH

MORE ▼



ETHAN MOORE

ABILITY: Iokinetic

ATTRIBUTES: Generates and controls electricity without direct source

GROUP: Elemental
CLASS: 8
RANK: WRAITH

MORE ▼



BONNIE CHANDLER

ABILITY: Electrokinetic

ATTRIBUTES: Manipulates and controls all electronics

GROUP: Kinetic
CLASS: 8
STATION: LA #11

MORE ▼



GRANT PORTER

ABILITY: Serokinetic

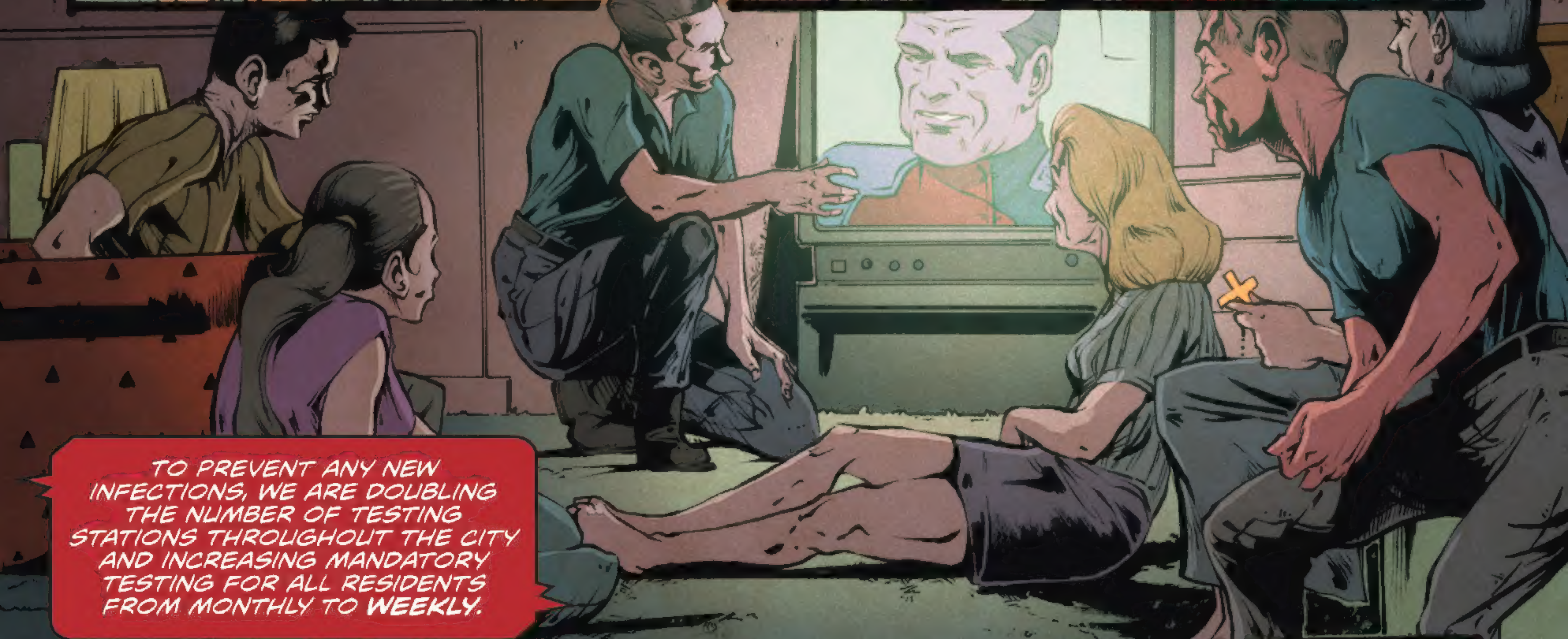
ATTRIBUTES: Extracts blood from organisms

GROUP: Biological
CLASS: 5
RANK: AGENT

MORE ▼

SYSTEM FAILURE

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[CPA]pha.TerminalC2:~ sudo$ bash  
[bash-3.2$ n0di$ease  
we are not powerless  
[
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BUT THERE IS AN EVEN MORE SERIOUS THREAT THAN PRV OR THE OMEGA STRAIN...



...THE **TERRORISTS** WHO PREVENTED US FROM SAVING THE LIVES OF TWENTY-TWO PEOPLE, ALL IN THE NAME OF INFECTING THE WORLD WITH PRV. IF YOU'RE WONDERING WHETHER THAT'S A WORLD YOU'D WANT TO LIVE IN, IMAGINE IT FOR A MOMENT. A WORLD WITHOUT...

ELEMENTALS...

NO KINETICS...

NO PSYCHICS...

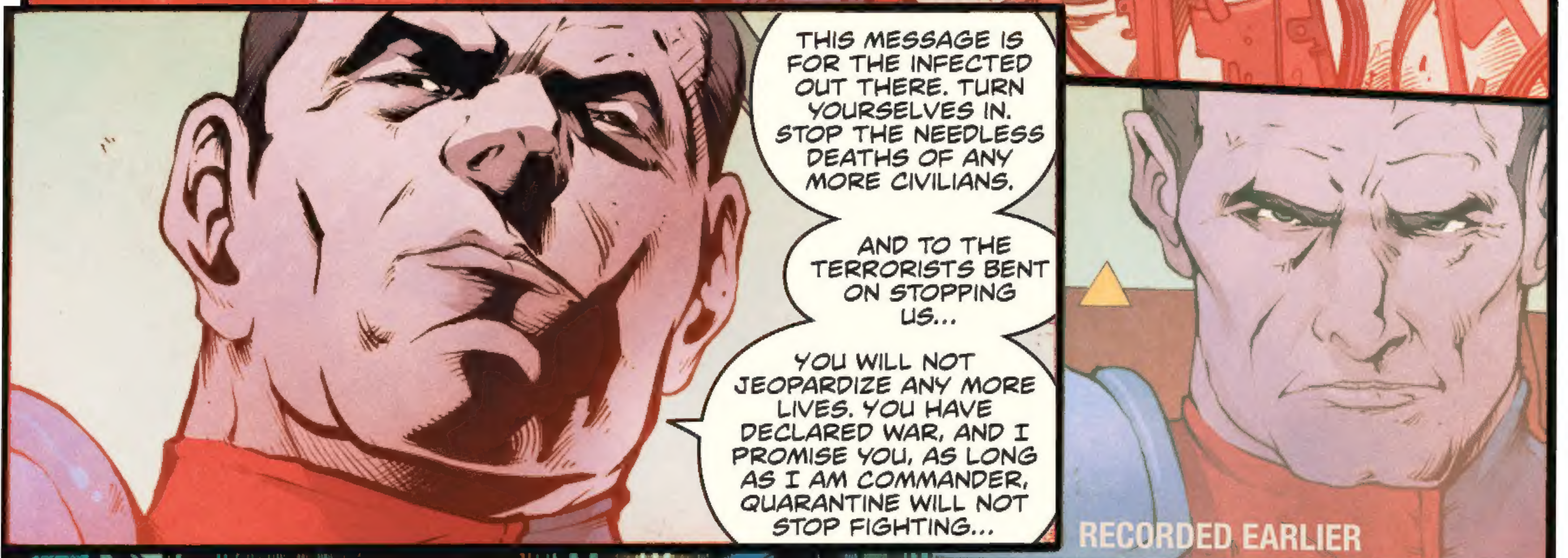
NO BIOLOGICALS...

NO SPATIALS...

NO MORE OUTLIERS TO DISCOVER.

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Days Since First PRV Case, Worldwide: ~1,278

Days Since First PRV Case, U.S.: 372

Days Since First PRV Omega Case, U.S.: 1



Home of Quarantine Wraith
Elizabeth "Switch" Wallace



THIS IS THE SCENE FROM ECUADOR, THE MOST RECENT SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRY TO CLOSE ITS BORDERS AS AN OUTBREAK OF PRV CONTINUES UNCHECKED.

FALSE REPORTS OF A VACCINE SPARKED RIOTS, WHICH HAVE INTENSIFIED AMID RUMORS THAT THE NON-EXISTENT VACCINE IS BEING DISTRIBUTED ONLY TO THOSE WHO CAN AFFORD IT.

IT'S ALL GOING TO SHIT, ISN'T IT?

NOT IF WE CAN HELP IT.

Quarantine Headquarters

MEANWHILE, ATTORNEY GENERAL PAMELA HUGH FACED RENEWED SCRUTINY FOLLOWING THE REPORTED OMEGA IN LOS ANGELES.

YOU REALLY BELIEVE WHAT WE DO MAKES A DIFFERENCE?

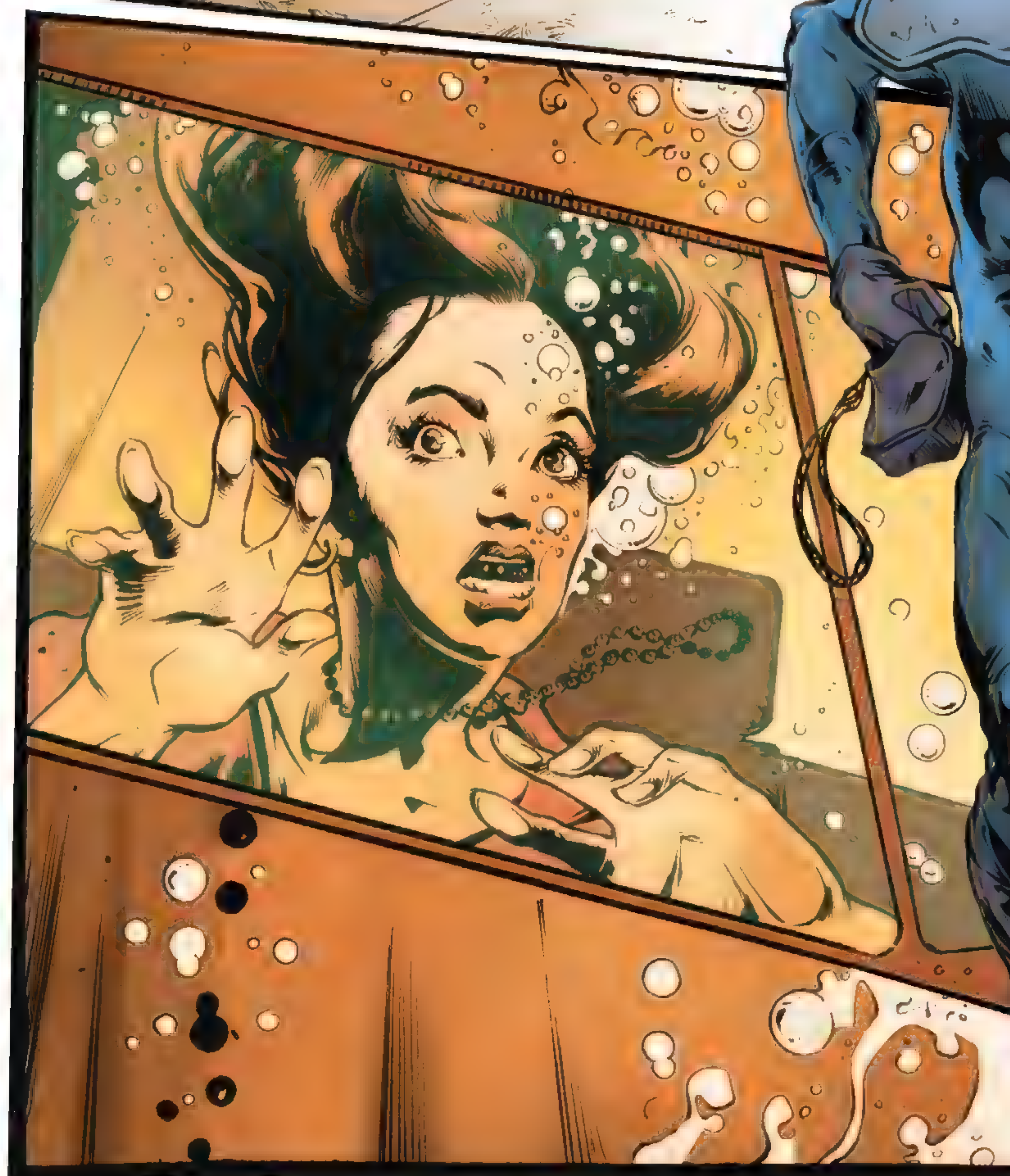
GOVERNOR
SNYDER

SHE ATTEMPTED TO ASSURE THE PANEL NO ADDITIONAL CASES WOULD APPEAR IN THE U.S., BUT COMMITTEE MEMBERS APPEARED UNCONVINCED.

IT HAS SO FAR. IF YOU HAVE DOUBTS, WHY STICK AROUND?

SOMEBODY'S GOTTA KEEP YOU OUT OF TROUBLE.

NOW HURRY UP. WE DON'T WANT TO BE LATE, REMEMBER?





ETHAN?
HELENE? WHAT
ARE YOU DOING
HERE? WHAT
HAPPENED?

WE HAD
INTEL BONNIE
CHANDLER WAS
PLANNING TO
STEAL THAT
BUS.

BONNIE WAS
OUR TARGET.
WHY DIDN'T
COMMANDER
HYDE CALL
US?

MAYBE
BECAUSE HE
WANTED TO
CATCH HER
THIS TIME.



WHAT THE FUCK IS THAT SUPPOSE TO MEAN?

ARE YOU QUESTIONING HYDE'S ORDERS?

OF COURSE NOT, BUT-

COOL IT, SWITCH. WE'RE ON THE SAME TEAM.

MAYBE SHE NEEDS A REMINDER.



WERE YOU ABLE TO ARREST BONNIE?

SHE WASN'T ON THE BUS. SHE MUST'VE BEEN TIPPED OFF AND SLIPPED AWAY.

WOW. GREAT JOB CATCHING HER.

AT LEAST HYDE DIDN'T HAVE TO COME OUT AND SAVE OUR ASSES.



WOULD YOU KNOCK IT OFF? WHY DO YOU LET THEM GET TO YOU?

BECAUSE THEY'RE SMUG PRICKS.

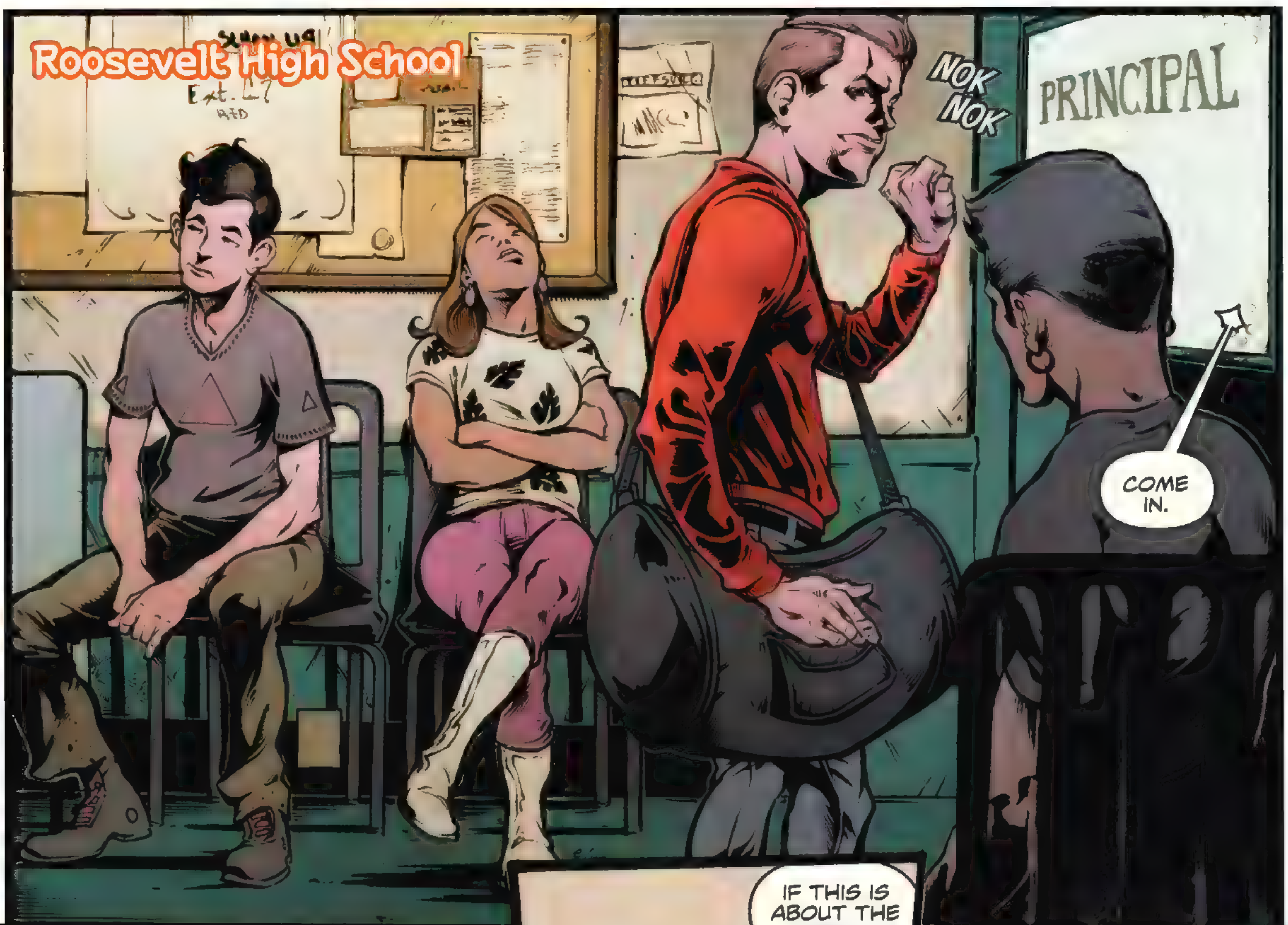
VERY MATURE.

OKAY... FINE.



WHY WOULD THE INSURGENTS STEAL A BUS? THEY CAN'T BE PLANNING TO MOVE. THEY WOULDN'T GET AN INCH OUTSIDE THE CITY WITHOUT US KNOWING IT.

DOESN'T MEAN THEY WOULDN'T TRY IT. THEY'RE DESPERATE ENOUGH TO TRY ANYTHING.

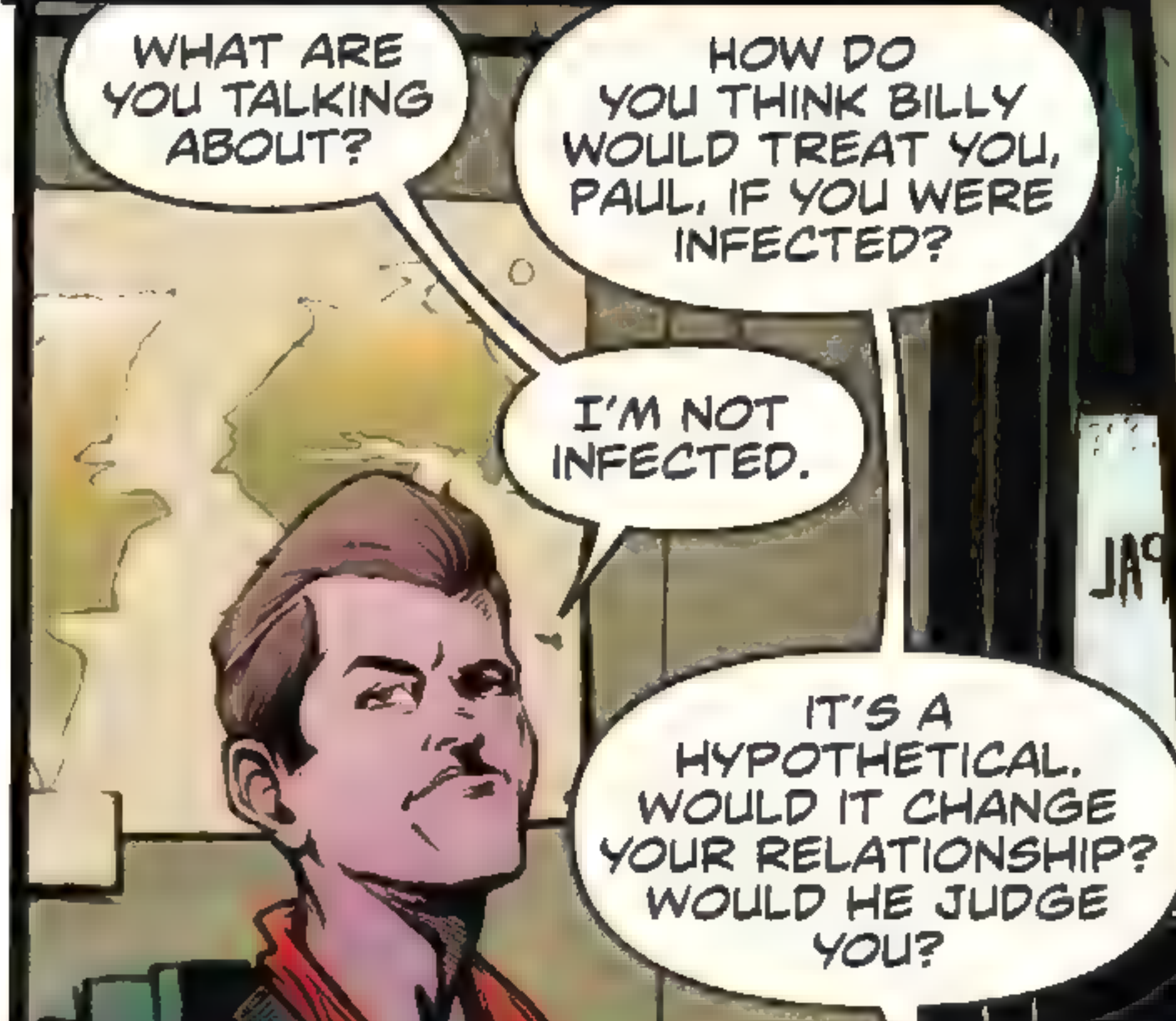




I KNOW HOW MUCH YOU LOOK UP TO BILLY-

YEAH, HE'S MY BROTHER.

WE CAN LOOK UP TO THE PEOPLE WE ADMIRE WITHOUT TAKING ON THEIR...



WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

HOW DO YOU THINK BILLY WOULD TREAT YOU, PAUL, IF YOU WERE INFECTED?

I'M NOT INFECTED.

IT'S A HYPOTHETICAL. WOULD IT CHANGE YOUR RELATIONSHIP? WOULD HE JUDGE YOU?



click click click

...LESS COMMENDABLE TRAITS.



WE LIVE IN A CLASS SYSTEM, PAUL. ONE YOUR BROTHER PERPETUATES. THERE'S NO REASON WHY YOU CAN'T DO BETTER. BE BETTER.

CAN I GO? I HAVE TO GET TO THE BUS.

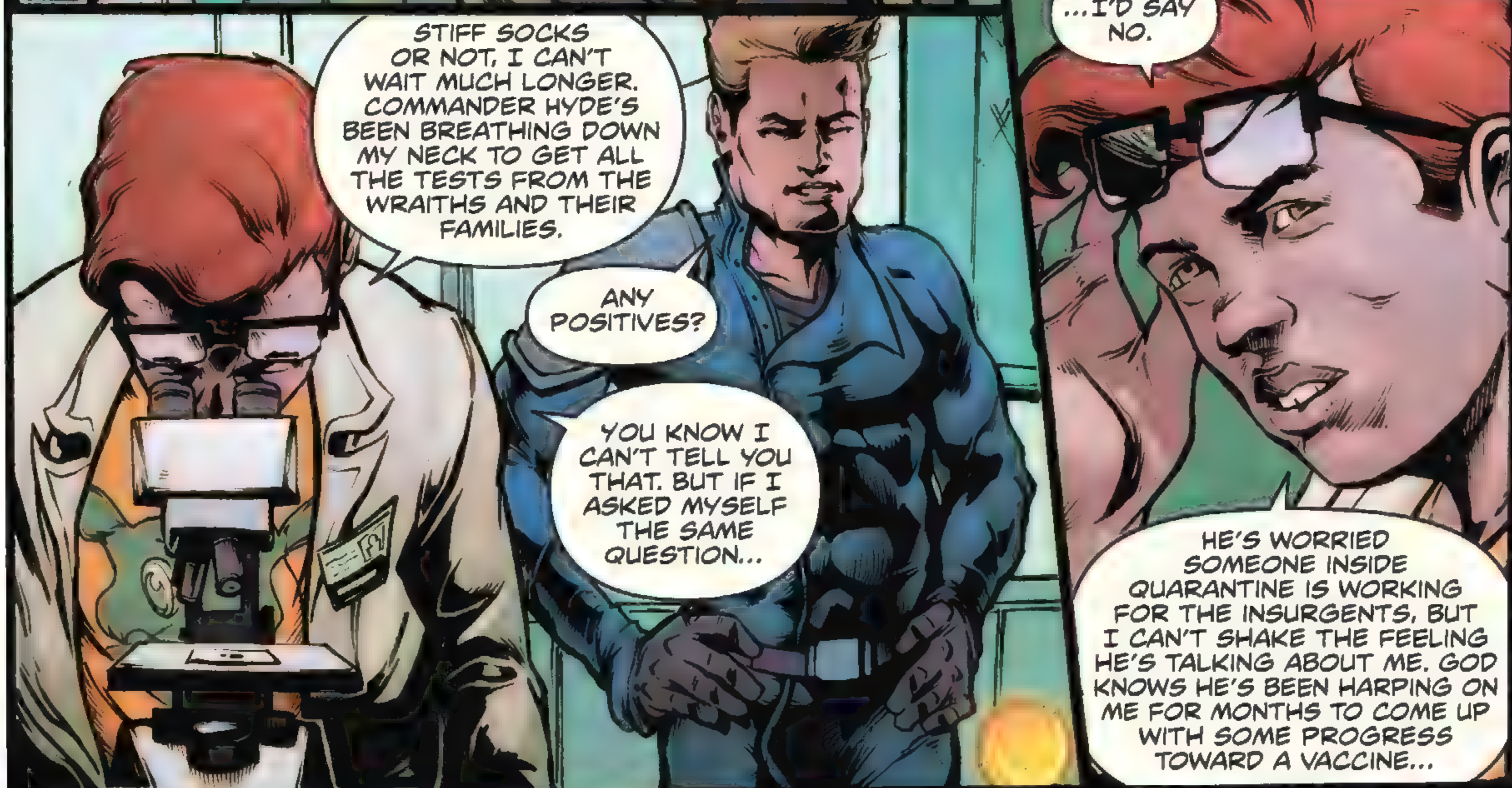
THE PEN.

MY BROTHER... HELPS PEOPLE, PRINCIPAL CASTILE. HE'S ALWAYS BEEN THERE FOR ME...

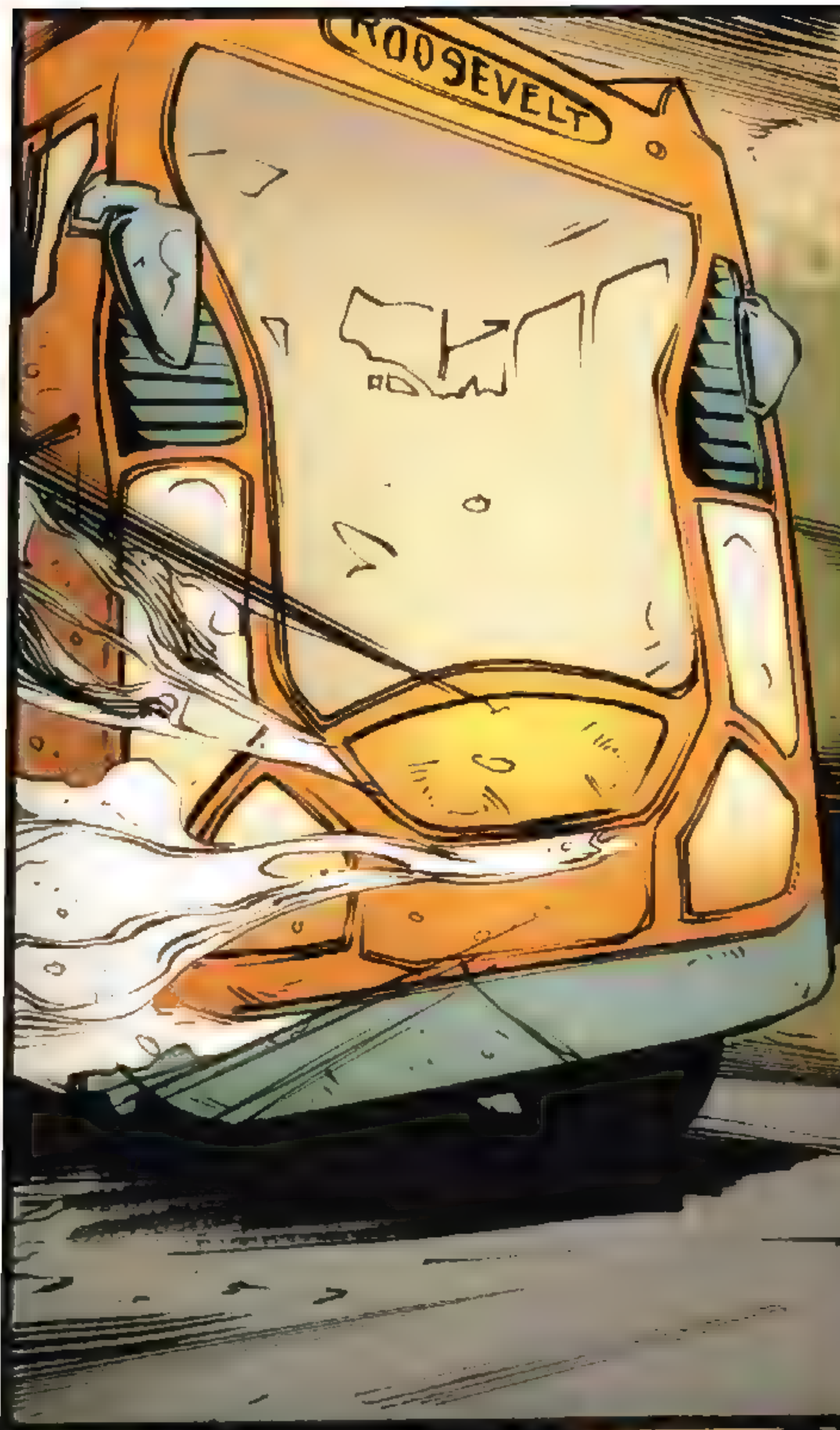












WHAT HAPPENED?

GOT ME. IT'S EXACTLY A HUNDRED AND EIGHTY DEGREES, RIGHT WHERE IT SHOULD BE. MAYBE IT'S THE BATTERY?

MAYBE. HOLD ON A SEC.



I DON'T SUPPOSE ANY OF YOU KNUCKLEHEADS IS AN IOKINETIC? WE NEED A JUMP.

...

DIDN'T THINK SO. SIT TIGHT. WE'LL BE MOVING SHORTLY...I HOPE.

DON'T



WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT?

IT'S GOTTA BE MORE INTERESTING THAN MY SNAPLIFE FEED. I THOUGHT POSTING PHOTOS OF FOOD WASN'T A THING ANYMORE.

...I THINK...I SAW SOMEONE OUT THERE...

GOD, I HOPE IT'S THE GUY WITH THE CAMPUS TACO TRUCK. I'M STARVING...



NO LUCK. I'LL CALL THE SCHOOL FOR ANOTHER BUS.

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

QUARANTINE CHECKPOINT BRAVO IS ABOUT A MILE AHEAD. THEY'LL BE ABLE TO JUMP US.



GREAT IDEA...







WHOA, SAM,
WHERE'S THE
FIRE?

SOME
INSURGENTS...TOOK
OVER OUR BUS! THEY
HAD...THESE HUGE...
GUNS AND THERE WAS
THIS WOMAN WITH...
SILVER EYES
AND-

BONNIE
CHANDLER.
FUCK.



WHAT ABOUT
PAUL? IS HE
OKAY?

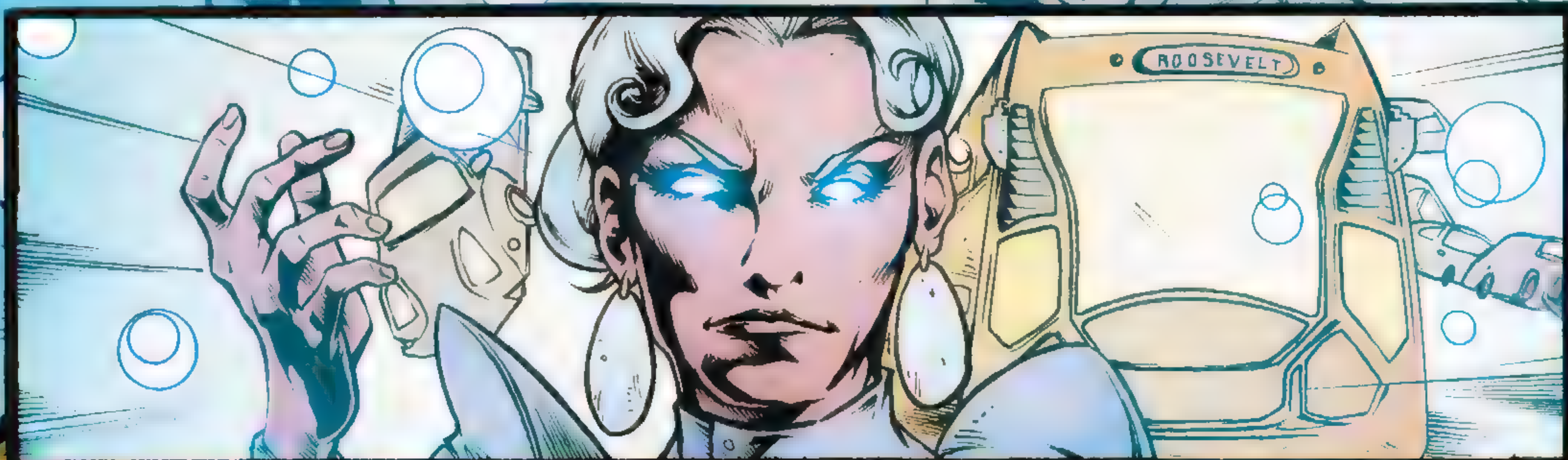
WHEN I
LEFT, HE
WAS.

WHERE
ARE THEY
NOW?

OUT BY
QUARANTINE
CHECKPOINT
BRAVO.



Quarantine Checkpoint Bravo





REPORT?

THIRTEEN AGENTS DEAD, SIR. SEVERAL CIVILIAN INJURIES, BUT NO FATALITIES, SURPRISINGLY.

THE EXPLOSION SPARKED A BRUSH FIRE THAT A DOZEN HYDROKINETICS ARE STILL TRYING TO CONTAIN. CHECKPOINT BRAVO IS A TOTAL LOSS. WE'VE DEPLOYED MORE AGENTS TO SET UP A TEMPORARY CHECKPOINT UNTIL WE FIGURE OUT A MORE PERMANENT SOLUTION.

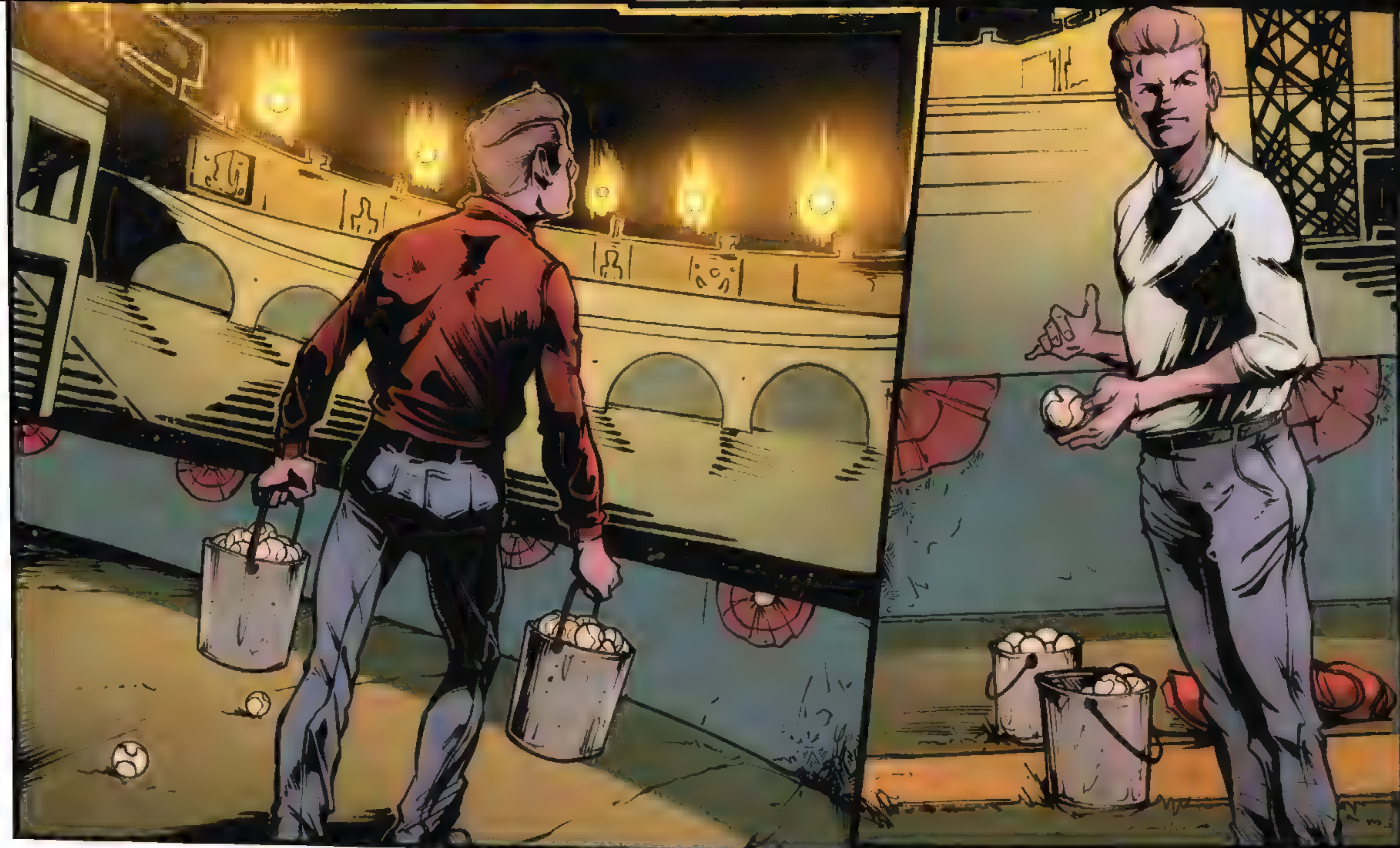
THE MORE PERMANENT SOLUTION IS TO RIP THEM OUT AT THE ROOTS.

WE'VE TRIED. THEY KEEP MOVING. WE THOUGHT THAT WAS WHY THEY WANTED A BUS. WE DIDN'T KNOW THEY WANTED TO MAKE A ROLLING BOMB.

WITHOUT A SINGLE CIVILIAN FATALITY? THEY'RE LEARNING.

WHAT DO WE DO?

WE SEND A STRONGER MESSAGE.











JOHN,
IS IT?

FUCK
YOU.

YOU'RE NOT
THE FIRST ONE OF
YOUR... KIND TO
DIE IN THAT CELL,
STILL BELIEVING
HE'S A HERO.

WHATEVER YOU
DO TO ME, THERE
ARE A THOUSAND
MORE READY
TO TAKE MY
PLACE.

YES...

YOU ARE AN
INFESTATION.

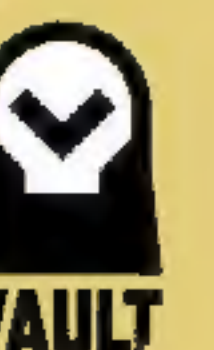
WHICH IS
WHY NOT ONE
OF YOU CAN BE
LEFT WRIGGLING
IN THE DARK.

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ISSUE 3**

PRV CONTINUES TO SPREAD UNCHECKED, THE INFECTED REBEL OPENLY. WHEN A SNIPER TARGETS THE TEAM LED BY QUARANTINE AGENT BILLY BANNISTER, HE'LL PUSH HIS POWER TO THE BRINK TO SAVE HIS FELLOW AGENTS. MEANWHILE, HIS BROTHER PAUL MUST FACE A SHATTERED NEW REALITY, AS HE LEARNS EVEN THE SMALLEST CHOICES HAVE ENORMOUS CONSEQUENCES.



SON OF ULTRON

"THIS FAN...
THIS MONSTER!"

